

REMARKS

Applicant expresses appreciation to the Examiner for consideration of the subject patent application. This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed March 8, 2006. Claims 4, 6-8, 11 and 12 were objected to. Claims 1-3, 5, 9, and 10 were rejected. The claims and specification have been amended to address the concerns raised by the Examiner.

Claims 1-13 and 16 were originally presented. Claims 1-3, 5-13, and 16 remain in the application. Claim 4 has been canceled. Claims 1 and 10 have been amended. The indication of allowable claims 13 and 16, and the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 4, 6-8, 11 and 12, if rewritten in independent form, is acknowledged with appreciation.

The Examiner objected to the specification and noted that two instances where the word “neural” should be replaced with “neutral”. The specification is herein amended to comply with the Examiner’s suggestion.

Claims 4, 6-8, 11 and 12 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but otherwise containing patentable subject matter. As per the Examiner’s suggestion, claim 1 has been amended to include all of the limitations of claim 4. Therefore, claim 1 and the related dependent claims (2-3, 5-9) are fit for allowance. Likewise, claim 10 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 4. Claim 10 and the related two depending claims (claims 11 and 12), are in condition for allowance.

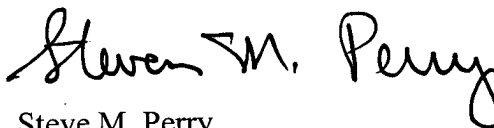
CONCLUSION

In light of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-3, 5-13 and 16 are now in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicant requests that the rejections and objections be withdrawn, and that the claims be allowed and passed to issue. If any impediment to the allowance of these claims remains after entry of this Amendment, the Examiner is strongly encouraged to call Steve M. Perry at (801) 566-6633 so that such matters may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 20-0100. No new claims were added, while one claim was canceled (claims4). Therefore, no additional fee is due.

DATED this 26th day of May, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven M. Perry". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Steven" and last name "Perry" clearly legible, and "M." as a middle initial.

Steve M. Perry
Registration No. 45,357

THORPE NORTH & WESTERN, LLP
Customer No. 20,551
P.O. Box 1219
Sandy, Utah 84091-1219
Telephone: (801) 566-6633